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In re Application of:

MUNRO ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/655,481

Filed: September 5, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DISCRIMINATING AND COUNTING
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Group Art Unit: 2621

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Atty. Dkt. No.: 47171-00125USC2

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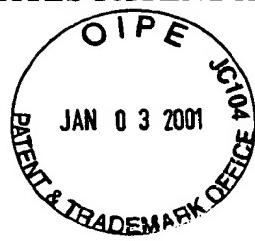
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